Memorandum filed and Letters of Intent approved involve a proposed investment of Rs. 2.43 lakh crores. The other, foreign investment proposals involving foreign equity investment of Rs. 9,176 crores have been approved.

(b) Formal information on commencement of commercial production has been received in respect of 652 Industrial Entrepreneurs Memoranda filed involving investment of Rs. 17,454 crores. As per information available from Reserve Bank of India, during 1991-93 (upto May), the actual inflow of Foreign Direct Invesment is Rs. 1763.18 crores.

(c) and (d) No targets are fixed regarding industrial investment including foreign investment.

Pending cases before Madras High Court

*340. SHRI V. GOPOLSWAMY : SHRI PASUMPON THA KIR, UTTANAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases pending before the Madras High Court as on date and of them, how many are three, five and ten year old cases, category-wise civil, criminal and constitutional cases pending ;

(b) how many are Habeas Corpus cases among the Constitutional cases ; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to dispose of the long pending cases without further delay ; if so. the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (c) The Registry of Madras High Court has indicated that the pendency of cases, on 30-6-1993. is as follows :

Number of cases pending : 3,01,191

Catesoiy-wtrc pendency ;

	Pending over 3	Pending over 5 years	Pending over 10 years
Civil . .	75,905	38,682	3,807
Criminal . .	15,776	6,393	9
Constitutional (Writ Petitions)	29.888	17.451	681

Out of 66,786 Constitutional cases (Writ Petitions), 984 are Habeas Corpus petitions.

The Madras High Court has taken a number of steps to expedite the disposal of cases, such as grouping of cases involving common question of law and posting of the same before the specialised bench. The High Court has also informed that they are taking earnest steps to amend the relevant High Court Rules to enable them to identify the cases which should be heard by Division Bench or by a Single Judge, etc. The High Court is also amending the Rules to exempt preparation of paper book in criminal appeals which are required to be heard by a Single Judge. It has been decided to create 4 more posts of Permanent Judges in the High Court of Madras to expedite the disposal of cases. Central Government have also decided to include Administration of Justice as a Plan subject with a view to removing infrastructural bottlenecks which come in the way of expeditious disposal of cases.

High security electronic locks devised by Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

3066. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Scien tists of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre has devised high security electro nic locks ;

ib) if so, the details thereof; and

(C) what are the institutions that will utilise the electronic locks thus devised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Electronic lock is a microcomputer based device which can be programmed by a Licensing Authority by entering his nine digit master code. This enables two •Authorised Users' to assign/choose their own five digit opening codes independent ly at the time of authorization or registra tion. The lock can be opened only if both 'Authorised Users' enter their open ing codes assigned to them in a predefin ed sequence within a predetermined short time interval. These codes can be chang ed by the Licensing Authority from time to time as 100,000 such combinations are available. The codes are not lost in •power off' condition.

(c) Any institution such as bank, treasury, custody, etc., which needs hi«?h security, can make use of these locks.